

Summary of Motions

September 20, 2021

ApHC Board of Directors



ZOOM meeting

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Those Board members in attendance for all or part of the 2021 Board of Directors regular meeting September 20, 2021 were Daylene Williams, Deb Dyer, Leslie Foxvog, Ken Johnson, Ray Burchett, Sean Schembri, Kevin Griner, Luke Northway, Kama Urton and Lori Wunderlich. Absent was Christina Ottersbach, Kristen Reiter, and Dave Parlier. ApHC officers and staff present for all, or part of this meeting were Executive Secretary, Lynette Thompson; ApHC Show Department, Keri LeForce; ApHC IT Department Dave O'Keefe; ApHC member Theron McCamond

Motion 1- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2021, July 8, 2021 and August 18, 2021 ApHC Board meetings as published on the ApHC website.

Motion made by Kevin Griner , seconded by Leslie Foxvog.

Motion approved unanimously.

Lynette Thompson, Interim ApHC Executive Secretary presented a report on the state of the ApHC. (Attachment 1)

Theron McCammond read a letter from himself to the ApHC Board of Directors into the record. (Attachment 2)

Reports to the board were given by the chairs of the Planning and Review Committee, the Rules Committee, the Ad Hoc Building Committee and the Executive Secretary Search Committee.

As the newly hired accountant was absent due to her firms business commitments, Lynette gave a short update on the accounting progress that has been made to update our financial.

Motion 2- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve the Committee Member Application presented by the Planning and Review committee.

Motion was made by Ray Burchett, Seconded by Deb Dyer.

As several concerns were expressed by Board members about the Application, the motion was withdrawn by Ray Burchett and Deb Dyer. The Application will now be sent back to the Planning and Review committee for further work with presentation back the Board expected later in the fall of 2021.

Motion 3- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to remove motions 10-6/24-2021, 18-06/24-2021 from the consent agenda and to have the rules committee reword these motions and send those rule changes back to the Board for a second vote in the fall of 2021 and to approve consent agenda motions 7-06/24-2021, 13-06/24-2021, 14-06/24-2021, 17-06/24-2021, 19-06/24-2021, 20-06/24-2021, 21-06/24-2021, 22-06/24-2021, 24-06/24-2021, 25-06/24-2021, 26-06/24-2021, 27-06/24-2021, 28-06/24-2021, 29-06/24-2021, and 30-06-/24-2021.

Motion 7-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #2; change rule 744 Boxing as follows;

744. BOXING

D. Boxing Cow Work Penalties:

1. One (1) point:
 - a. Loss of working advantage
 - b. Working out of position
 - c. **Excessive hollering**

4. Zero (0) score:
 - a. Turn tail
 - b. ~~Use of two (2) hands on the reins except with junior horses ridden two-handed in an acceptable snaffle bit or bosal.~~ **Using two hands on the reins when using a bridle or two rein equipment.**
 - c. Fingers between the reins, **except when using a two-rein outfit.**
 - d. Balking
 - e. **Extremely** out of control
 - f. Bloody mouth
 - g. Illegal equipment
 - h. Leaving the work area before the pattern or work is complete
 - i. Fall of horse or rider
 - j. Schooling of the horse between the rein work and cow work
 - k. Schooling of the horse between cows if a new cow is awarded.
 - l. ~~Failure to quit working a cow after a new cow has been awarded. New cow to be awarded at the judge's discretion. New cow will be considered if cow won't work or has no respect for the horse or is blind or lame.~~
 - m. ~~Spurring or hitting in front of the cinch at any time.~~
 - l. **Improper western attire**

5. No score
 - a. ~~Lameness of the horse- Abuse~~
 - b. ~~Abuse- Lameness of the horse~~

6. **Failure of the exhibitor to attempt to complete the work (call for cow) will result in the exhibitor not being eligible for points or placing and will not be counted as an entry in the class.**

Motion 13-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #6; change rule 713 A 4 as follows;

713 A 4. A Class Conduct: (page 145)

Horses will walk to the judge(s) one at a time. As the horse approaches, the judge(s) will step to the right (left of the horse) to enable the horse to trot straight to a cone placed 50 feet (15 meters) away. At the cone, the horse will continue trotting, turn to the left making a true "L" and trot toward the next cone placed before the left wall or fence of the arena. After trotting, horses will be lined up head to tail for individual inspection by the judge(s). The judge(s) shall inspect each horse from both sides, front, and rear. .

~~Horses shall enter ring and be lined up at the discretion of the judge. Entries shall be judged individually, standing and also at a walk and trot on the line. Horses shall be led directly to and away from the judge. Additionally, the judge shall inspect the trot from a direct side angle. In all halter classes and judging of grand and reserve champion, the judge(s) shall inspect each horse from the front, rear and both sides. Horses should stand squarely and naturally and are not to be stretched.~~

(See 713 E 7 and 8 Ranch Conformation if approved this wording could be deleted) (page 153)

Motion 14-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #7; change rule 713 A 4a. as follows;

713 A. 4 a. 1

The judge(s) should disqualify and excuse from the ring prior to final placing a horse and exhibitor that does not complete the above prescribed pattern correctly in three attempts. Exception: Exhibitors in all Youth and Non-Pro divisions that do not complete the prescribed pattern are not to be placed over any contestant that completes the pattern correctly but will not be disqualified.

Motion 17-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #9; change rule 716 C as follows;

716. REINING

716. C. SCORING

1. The scoring will be on a basis of 0 to infinity, with 70 denoting an average performance. Maneuver evaluations and penalty applications are to be determined independently the individual maneuvers are scored in ½ point increments, from a+1 1/2 Excellent, +1 Very Good, +1/2 Good, 0 Correct, -1/2 Poor, - 1 Very Poor, -11/2 Extremely Poor ~~low of -1 ½ to a high of +1 ½,~~ with a score of 0 denoting a maneuver that is correct with no degree of difficulty. Scores may ~~will~~ be announced after each horse works.

Motion 19-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #11; change rule 716 C 8 as follows;

716. C 8. The following will result in a 2-point penalty:

- c. on walk in patterns, failure to stop or walk before executing a lope ~~canter~~ departure.
- d. on run in patterns, failure to be in a lope ~~canter~~ prior to reaching first marker or break of gait prior to the first marker.

Motion 20-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #12; change rule 716 as follows;

Add NRHA reining patterns 14, 15, 16, A, B.
(Attachment 3)

Motion 21-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #14; change rule 791 J as follows;

791 J. Equipment

1. **Western Showmanship:** The horse must be shown in a halter – leather, rope, or nylon, clean and adjusted to fit. The lead ~~strap or lead~~ shank including chain (if used) ~~rope~~ should be six or seven feet (1.83m or 2.13m) long. ~~Hackamores and bridles shall not be used when showing in western showmanship at halter.~~ *The chain on the lead may be over the nose or under the chin; however, no chains are allowed in the horse's mouth and no lip chains are allowed.* It is recommended that no more than two or three links of chain remain outside of halter. ~~A judge will not penalize an exhibitor for the use of a chain lead over the horse's nose or under the horse's jaw as a restraint. The use of this equipment will not be cause for disqualification.~~ The exhibitor must lead on the horse's left side holding the lead shank in the right hand near the halter with the tail of the lead loosely coiled in the left hand unless requested by the judge to show the horse's teeth. The exhibitor's hand shall not be on the snap or chain portion of the lead continuously. The excess lead should never be tightly coiled, rolled or folded. When leading, the exhibitor should be positioned between the eye and the mid-point of the horse's neck, referred to as the leading position. A minimum gauge link of 4.0 mm is required.

(See 791 Q 3 d, it is a 5-point penalty)

Motion 22-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendations # 13, 15, 16, 17 and 18 to insert and delete the following language in each of the following rules- 791, 795, 796, 797 and 798.

SCORING:

Exhibitors are to be scored from 0 to infinity ~~100~~ with 70 denoting an average score. ~~It is suggested a minimum score of 50 be administered except for disqualifications. One half point increments are acceptable.~~ Maneuvers are scored from +3 to -3 in half (1/2) point increments.

Maneuver scores should be determined independent of penalties and should reflect equal consideration of both performance of the exhibitor's pattern and the form and effectiveness of the exhibitor and presentation of horse to result in the following scores: +3 Excellent, +2 Very Good, +1

Good, 0 Correct, -1 Poor, -2 Very Poor, -3 Extremely Poor. Exhibitors overall form and effectiveness should also be scored from 0 to 5 with 0 to 2 Average, 3 Good, 4 Very Good, 5 Excellent. ~~One additional score of up to 3 points for Form & Effectiveness may be given at the conclusion of the run.~~

~~FINAL SCORING shall be on a basis of 0-100 with an approximate breakdown as follows:~~

~~90-100 Excellent showmanship, including body position and presentation of horse. Completes pattern accurately, quickly, smoothly, and precisely; demonstrates a high level of professionalism.~~

~~80-89 Very Good performance in execution of the pattern as well as correct showmanship and presentation of horse. Excellent showman that commits a major fault.~~

~~70-79 Good pattern execution and average showmanship; lacking adequate style and professional presentation to merit elevating to the next scoring range. A very good showman that commits a major fault or an excellent showman that commits a severe fault.~~

~~60-69 Fair pattern that lacks quickness or precision. Horse with consistently unwilling attitude or handler with obvious position and/or presentation faults that prevents effective showmanship. A good showman that commits one major fault in the performance of the pattern. A very good showman that commits a severe fault.~~

~~Less than 59 Good showman that commits one severe or multiple major and/or minor faults; excellent or very good showman that commits multiple, and/or combination of, severe, major, or minor faults in the performance or presentation, or position of exhibitor that precludes effective communication with the horse.~~

Motion 24-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #20; change rule 716 C as follows;

716. C 5 a. A rider must be allowed to untangle or straighten the horse's mane at any place a horse is allowed to be completely stopped during a pattern.

716. C 7. The following will result in a penalty of five (5) points:

716. C 7 c. holding saddle with either hand; EXCEPTION Para Reining, Freestyle

716. C 7 d. blatant disobedience including but not limited to kicking, biting, bucking, rearing, and striking.

716. C 7 e the act of a horse dropping to its knees or hocks.

17. A horse which severely stumbles, significantly detracting from the maneuver, shall have the maneuver reduced by one half (1/2) point.

~~17. No "pattern spotters" will be used.~~

Motion 25-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #2; add to rule 715 H as follows;

715. WESTERN PERFORMANCE

715 H. WESTERN GAITS

There will be an order of priority for evaluating western gaits. This hierarchy of consideration is a great aid to exhibitors for how their horses should be presented to judges. Following are the requirements in order of importance.

1. Correctness-Concerning correctness, which is the most important element of the hierarchy, judges must assess if the exhibitor has performed each gait correctly as defined during all or the majority of all of the class in order to have a correct or positive evaluation.

For western gaits, this includes a four-beat walk, two-beat jog, and three-beat lope. The distinctness of the designated cadence for the gait being performed is essential.

2. Quality-Concerning quality, which is the second most important element in the hierarchy and can only be considered positively if the gait performance has complied with the first element of correctness. When evaluating the pleasing characteristics of a gait, among many considerations, judges must consider overall gracefulness, relaxed expression, topline, softness of movement, consistency, and length of stride of the designated gait.

3 Degree of Difficulty-Concerning degree of difficulty, this is the least important and last element of the hierarchy. This element must only be considered if the requirement for correctness has been met and combination of correctness and quality allow the performance to be considered for placement. Difficulty is greatly influenced by exhibiting a pleasure horse at a pace and speed that allows for correctness and best quality of a gait for that individual. A performance of a walk that is ground covering and free flowing has a high degree of difficulty. A jog or lope that is performed with a slow rhythm without sacrificing correctness or quality has a high degree of difficulty. Slowness that sacrifices correctness or negatively impacts quality shall be considered incorrect and a poor performance at best.

Motion 26-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #22; change rule 717 as follows;

717. WESTERN RIDING

C. The judge will select one of the fifteen (15) ~~five~~ patterns to be performed. The judge is responsible for the pattern being correctly set.

E. Scoring will be on a basis of 0 to 100, with 70 denoting an average performance.

1. Scoring guidelines to be considered: points will be added or subtracted from the maneuvers on the following basis, ranging from + 1½ point to - 1½ point: + 1½ excellent; + 1 very good; + ½ good; 0 correct average; - ½ poor; - 1 very poor; - 1½ extremely poor.

F. Maneuver evaluations and penalty applications are to be determined independently. The following penalties will be applied for each occurrence and will be deducted from the final score: ~~An exhibitor will be penalized:~~

(Add Western Riding patterns 1-5 and Green 1, 2, 3 as a flipped image which might assist depending on the arena layout and where the judges would sit and offers more variation for the horses)

2. The ~~eight~~ small circles represent markers (cones are recommended). These should be separated by a uniform measured distance of not less than 30 nor more than 50 feet (9.15 nor more than 15.24 m) on the side with five markers (see diagram). In Pattern 1, the three markers on the opposite side should be set adjacent to the appropriate markers. It is recommended that markers be set a minimum of 15 feet (4.57 m) from the fence and with 50 to 80-foot (15.24 to 24.39 m) width in the pattern, as the arena permits.

(Some patterns have more than eight cones)

(Attachment 4-patterns)

Motion 27-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #23, 24, 25, 27, and 28; change rule 798 K, 797 G, 796 K, 795 K, and 791 Q as follows;

Penalties. Maneuver evaluations and penalty applications are to be determined independently. The following penalties will be applied for each occurrence and will be deducted from the final score: **FAULTS.** Faults can be classified as minor, major, or severe. The judge will determine the appropriate classification of a fault based upon the degree and/or frequency of the infraction. An exhibitor that incurs a severe fault avoids elimination but should be placed below all other exhibitors that complete the pattern correctly. A minor fault can become a major fault and major fault can become a severe fault when the degree and/or frequency of the infraction(s) merits.

One (1) point penalty Minor Faults—Deduction of 1 point

Three (3) point penalties Major faults—Deduction of 3 points

Five (5) point penalties Severe Faults—Deduction of 5 points (avoids disqualification but should be placed below other exhibitors who do not incur a severe fault) include:

Disqualifications (should not be placed) include:

e. Knocking over the cone, going off pattern or working on wrong side of cone.

g. Off pattern, including: knocking over cone or wrong side of cone or marker; never performing designated gait, lead or diagonal over or under turning more than ¼ turn.

(If class has a Walk-Trot division) Walk Trot & Novice Class Only: Exhibitors going off pattern, knocking off over or on wrong side of cone, never performing specified gait, **lead or diagonal** or overturning more than ¼ turn than designated, shall not be disqualified, but must always place below exhibitors not incurring a disqualifying fault.

Motion 28-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #29; change rule 796 J as follows;

796 J. Performance.

2. The horse should perform all maneuvers in the pattern willingly, briskly, and readily with minimal visible or audible cueing. Severe disobedience will not result in a disqualification, but should be severely penalized, and the exhibitor should not place above an exhibitor that completes the pattern correctly. Failure to follow the prescribed pattern, knocking over or working on the wrong side of the cones, excessive schooling or training, or willful abuse by the exhibitor is cause for disqualification.

Motion 29-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #29; change rule 791 P as follows;

791 P. Performance.

The exhibitor should perform the work accurately, precisely, smoothly, and with a reasonable amount of speed. Increasing speed of the work increases the degree of difficulty; however, accuracy and precision should not be sacrificed for speed. The horse should lead, stop, back, turn, and set up willingly, briskly, and readily with minimal visible or audible cueing. Severe disobedience will not result

~~in a disqualification but should be penalized severely, and the exhibitor should not place an exhibitor that completes the pattern correctly. Excessive schooling or training, willful abuse, loss of control of the horse by exhibitor, failure to follow prescribed pattern, knocking over or working on the wrong side of the cones shall be cause for disqualification.~~

Motion 30-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation # 30; change rule 718 and 772 as follows;

718. WESTERN PLEASURE

H. TWO-YEAR-OLD SNAFFLE BIT WESTERN PLEASURE

~~2. To maintain eligibility the two-year-old year for two-year-old events, entry into other performance events is prohibited with the following exceptions: Two-year-olds may cross enter two-year-old hunter under saddle, pleasure driving, 1st year green pleasure classes, snaffle bit/bosal futurities, and heritage. A two-year-old may cross enter junior western pleasure and/or junior hunter under saddle after May 20 only if there are no other entries in their respective two-year-old class and only if the two-year-old class precedes the junior class(es) on the class list.~~

772. HUNTER UNDER SADDLE

I. TWO-YEAR-OLD SNAFFLE BIT HUNTER UNDER SADDLE

~~2. To maintain eligibility the two-year-old year for two-year-old events, entry into other performance events is prohibited with the following exceptions: Two-year-olds may cross enter two-year-old western pleasure, pleasure driving, 1st year green pleasure classes, snaffle bit/bosal futurities, and heritage. A two-year-old may cross enter junior western pleasure and/or junior hunter under saddle after May 20 only if there are no other entries in their respective two-year-old class and only if the two-year-old class precedes the junior class(es) on the class list.~~

Motion made by Ray Burchett , seconded by Deb Dyer.

Motion approved unanimously.

These rule changes will now be made to the 2022 ApHC Handbook and will take effect January 1, 2022.

Motion 4- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve Approval agenda motion 23-06/24-2021.

Motion 23-06/24-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #19; change rule 716 C 4. b. 1 as follows;

716. C 4. The following will result in no score:

b. willful abuse of animal in show arena and/or evidence that an act of abuse has occurred prior to or during the exhibition of a horse in competition.

i) if the judge(s) determines paint or other substance has been applied to a horse to disguise abuse he/she may call a no score. Excessive use of paint or color substance

may result in a no score.

Motion made by Ken Johnson , seconded by Deb Dyer.

Roll Call Vote

Leslie Foxvog—YES

Daylene Williams—YES

Ken Johnson—YES

Ray Burchett—YES

Kristen Reiter—ABSENT

Sean Schembri—YES

Kevin Griner—NO

Christina Ottersbach--ABSENT

Dave Parlier-- ABSENT

Luke Northway-- ABSTAIN

Kama Urton-- YES

Lori Wunderlich-- YES

Deb Dyer—YES

Motion approved

The following rule change will now be made to the 2022 ApHC Handbook and will take effect January 1, 2022.

Motion 5- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #1; add the following to rule 741 Working Cow Horse.

741. WORKING COW HORSE

ADD K Box Drive Box Drive

Beginning Fence Work Class Cow Work Guidelines - The goal of this class is to introduce the exhibitor to the “fence work” phase of the cow work.

1. This class may be held for youth, non pro or junior horses. No cross entry will be allowed between this and any other Boxing, Hackamore/Snaffle Bit Working Cow Horse or Working Cow Horse classes.
2. The horse will be scored using the “beginning fence work scoring guidelines.”
3. Judging begins when the contestant enters the arena.
4. There shall be no schooling between entering the arena and the completion of the cow work, or between cows if a new cow is awarded. Penalty for this is -0-.
5. **Pattern – The required pattern for the cow work is: box, drive, box, drive, in that order.**
 - a. **Part One – Box:** At the start of the work, each contestant, upon receiving a cow in the arena, shall hold that cow on the prescribed end of the arena for a sufficient time to demonstrate the ability of the horse to contain the cow at that end. If the cow does not immediately challenge the horse, the exhibitor shall aggressively move in on the cow to demonstrate his horse’s ability to drive and block the cow on the entry fence.
 - b. **Part Two – Drive:** After a reasonable amount of time, the contestant shall set up and drive/rate the cow down the fence, opposite fence of the judge(s), to the opposite end of the arena. When coming out of corner, the horse shall be close enough to cow to demonstrate control with cow against the fence. This distance and control should be maintained for approximately ½ to ¾ the length of the arena. Upon reaching the opposite end of the arena, the exhibitor will then stop the horse square or parallel to the fence, without making a fence turn, and release the cow.
 - c. **Part Three – Box:** Move horse toward center of arena to set the cow up for boxing. Again, box the cow for a sufficient time to demonstrate the ability of the horse to contain the cow at that end. If the cow does not immediately challenge the horse, the exhibitor shall aggressively move in on the cow to demonstrate his/her horse’s ability to drive and block the cow on the entry fence.

- d. **Part Four – Drive:** After a reasonable amount of time, the contestant shall set up and drive/rate the cow down the fence, opposite fence of the judge(s), to the opposite end of the arena. When coming out of corner, the horse shall be close enough to cow to demonstrate control with cow against the fence. This distance and control should be maintained past the center marker and continue until the judge signifies the completion of the run or time expires. The exhibitor will then stop the horse square or parallel to the fence, without making a fence turn, and release the cow.
6. **Time Limit/Terminating the Work –** Each contestant is allotted one minute and forty-five seconds to complete the four-part cow work patter.
- a. The judge may blow his/her whistle at any time during the work – one whistle to terminate the work, two whistles to award a new cow.
- b. If at any time a judge feels that the contestant is out of control, endangering themselves and/or their horse, the judge may terminate the work, and a score of zero will be given.
- c. Time shall begin when the gate closes behind the cow after being let into the arena. When there are 30 seconds left, the announcer will announce, “30 seconds remaining” and at one minute and forty-five seconds, the announcer will call for time.
- d. Judging ends when the exhibitor drives the cow past the middle marker a second time, judge ends the run with a whistle/horn or the allotted time ends, whichever occurs first.
7. **Scoring.** Each horse/rider team is scored between 0-100 points and automatically begins the run with a score of 70 points. The horse/rider team is scored on the quality of each maneuver (e.g., -1 1/2 extremely poor, -1 very poor, -1/2 poor, 0 correct, +1/2 good, +1 very good, +1 1/2 excellent)
8. **PENALTIES.** Maneuver evaluations and penalty applications are to be determined independently. The following penalties will be applied for each occurrence and will be deducted from the final score:
- A. **One (1) point penalties**
- A Loss of working advantage
P Working out of position
C Changing sides on the second drive/rate
M Failure to drive past the middle marker
- B. **Three (3) point penalties**
- D Failure to drive cow past middle marker on second drive before time expires
K Knocking down the cow without having a working advantage
L Loss of control and cow leaves the end of the arena
T Performing a fence turn (whether initiated by horse or exhibitor)
- C. **Five (5) point penalties**
- B Spurring or hitting in front of cinch at any time, or excessively whipping or spurring horse.
C Blatant disobedience, including but not limited to kicking, biting, bucking, rearing, striking, or obviously insubordinate
X Running the cow into the back fence with force
- D. **Zero (-0-) score.** Disqualified entries are counted as an entry in the class but can not receive points or credits for that class toward the all around.
- A. Turn tail
B. Using 2 hands on the reins when using a bridle or two rein
C. Fingers between the reins, except when using a two rein
D. Balking
E. Extremely out of control
F. Leaving the work area before the pattern or work is complete
G. Fall of horse or exhibitor
H. Schooling of the horse between entering the arena and cow work
I. Schooling of the horse between cows when a new cow is awarded
Disrespect or misconduct
J. Improper Western Attire
K. Illegal equipment
L. Judges may disqualify horse(s) from the class if fresh blood is found on the mouth and/or

body areas of a horse (i.e.: including but not limited to the barrel, flanks, belly, sides, shoulders). Judges have the sole authority to determine if the blood found on the horse warrants disqualification from the class and the judge's decision is final and not protestable.

5. Failure of an exhibitor to attempt to complete the work (call for cow) shall result in that exhibitor to not be counted as an entry in the class.
6. No score
 - A. Abuse
 - B. Lameness of the horse
7. Credits
 - A. Maintaining control of the cow at all times
 - B. Maintaining proper position
 - C. Degree of difficulty
 - D. Eye appeal

Motion made by Kevin Griner, seconded by Ray Burchett.
Motion approved unanimously.

This approved the rule change will require a 2nd approval vote to become a rule.

Motion 6- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #2;
Change rules 807 C and Add 807 D as follows

~~807 C. Youth exhibitors will not be allowed to show in walk-trot classes after exhibiting in a three-gaited class at an ApHC approved or sponsored event or show.~~

Once a walk-trot exhibitor 10 & Under or 11-18 shows in a three-gaited class at an ApHC sponsored event or show during the calendar year they may not show in a walk-trot 10 & Under or 11-18 class for the remainder of that calendar year. Otherwise there are no restrictions on how long a youth exhibitor may show in walk-trot classes.

807 D. A walk-trot exhibitor 10 & Under or 11-18 will not be allowed to show in any walk trot class and any three gait class at the same show.

Motion made by Ray Burchett, seconded by Kevin Griner.
Motion approved

This approved the rule change will require a 2nd approval vote to become a rule.

Motion 7- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve rules committee recommendation #5;

Change rule 715 Western Performance as follows;

715. WESTERN PERFORMANCE

A. EQUIPMENT

8. Ideally the free hand should be resting on or in front of the rider's thigh indicating a relaxed, balance attitude of the body and should be kept free of the horse and equipment.
9. In working cow horse, boxing, **box drive box drive classes**, the following equipment is **permitted** rules must be followed:
 - a. **When using a curb bit (bridle class), a spade bit or a bit having the following characteristics must be used:**
 1. **Unbroken bar mouthpiece**
 2. **One inch or higher port measured from the bottom of the bar to the top of the port.**
 3. **There must be an operable cricket or roller (with single or multiple rings) incorporated within the mouthpiece of the bit.**
 4. **It is legal to have a barrel made of copper or metal, wrapped around the bar space of the bit and is to be considered a part of the mouthpiece.**
 5. **The barrel must be round, smooth and made up of one continuous, unbroken piece.**
 6. **The minimum diameter, on any part of the bar of the mouthpiece is 5/16 inch.**
 7. **Bars must be round, oval or egg shaped smooth and unwrapped metal. Latex wrap or any foreign material is not acceptable.**
 8. **Nothing abnormal may protrude from either the bars or the port, such as extensions or prongs.**
 9. **The cheeks must be connected at the bottom. It is acceptable to use metal, chain, wire, leather or braided rawhide. It is not acceptable to use duct tape, braided tail hair or bailing twine.**
 10. **The overall length of the bit shall not be longer than 8 ½ inches measured from the inside bottom of the top of the headstall ring to the bottom of the rein ring.**
 11. **Optional tongue release shall not exceed 3 inches in width.**
 12. **Braces, copper port cover and/or having copper smoothly inlaid in the mouthpiece are optional.**
 13. **No wire, chain or other metal or rawhide device may be used in conjunction with the bit or part of leather chin strap.**
 - b. **Chin strap must be smooth leather. No wire, chain or other metal or rawhide device may be used in conjunction with a part of the leather chin strap. Leather chin strap must be flat, flexible and at least ½ inch wide. No metal rivets are allowed to come in contact with the chin, or chin groove of the horse. Metal keepers are not acceptable on the chin strap.**
 - c. **Reins with romal required. The reins can be held in either hand, with hand around reins in a fist position with thumbs up. The non-rein hand must be on the romal. (The keeper, or hobble, that attaches the romal to the reins is considered to be part of the romal.) The non-rein hand is not allowed, at any time, to touch the reins or a score of -0- will be applied. The rider is allowed to shorten the reins while the horse is in motion as long as their hands are held in a legal manner. No fingers are permitted between the reins in bridle classes, except in the two rein class. In the boxing class only, romal reins can be held in one hand.**

- 10. Two rein equipment will be allowed in Working Cow Horse classes, Boxing, box drive box drive and Ranch Horse classes.**
- a. **When using two rein, bosalita may be of any size, constructed of braided rawhide or leather and have a non-metal, flexible core. No iron or foreign substance may be used.**
 - b. **The rider must use one hand on the reins. Fingers between the reins will be permitted.**
 - c. **Both mecate and bridle reins are to be held in the rein hand.**
 - d. **All rules for two rein will follow hackamore and bridle requirements for the respective class.**
- 9-11. GET DOWN ROPE.** In ranch classes, a get-down rope will be allowed with the use of romal reins for the purposes of leading or working on the ground where required in the pattern. The get-down rope may be a neck rope or a neck rope with bosalita that is tied in a manner that will not slide/tighten around the horse's neck. The tail end (lead) of the neck rope may be attached to the front of the saddle with saddle strings or run through the rider's belt loop but should not be tied to the saddle horn.
- 9-12.** In roping, games and team penning, western type equipment must be used with the exception of bits and mouthpieces. Acceptable western or English bits may be used if they meet bit specifications outlined in WESTERN EQUIPMENT and ENGLISH EQUIPMENT. Use of a hackamore or a mechanical hackamore with a covered nosepiece or other type of bridle is the option of the exhibitor in roping, games and team penning. No bare metal may be in contact with the horse's head.
- ~~10-13.~~ A bit cannot be physically altered to increase the severity of its use and may be eliminated at the discretion of the judge. The judge may prohibit the use of bits or equipment he/she may consider inhumane.
- ~~11-14.~~ An exhibitor may be required by the judge to remove or alter any piece of equipment which, in his opinion, would tend to give a horse or exhibitor an unfair advantage.

Motion made by Ray Burchett, seconded by Kevin Griner

Motion approved

This approved the rule change will require a 2nd approval vote to become a rule.

Motion 8- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve using the title of Executive Director of the ApHC in the job description of the Executive Secretary search.

Motion made by Ken Johnson, seconded by Kevin Griner

Motion approved

Motion 9- 09/20-2021

Election held to replace Lori Wunderlich, who is now the ApHC president, on the ApHC Disciplinary Committee.

Ken Johnson was nominated and elected by unanimous ballot.

Motion 10- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve the Executive Secretary/Registrar recommendation that Stepanka Skorpilova be taken off the suspension list and that a letter be written to Stepanka Skorpilova clearly stating that if these infractions of our DNA rules happen again, she will be suspended once again. A note will also be placed in her member file as to why she was taken off the suspension list and for future staff to be aware that this infraction of our DNA rules happened.

Motion made by Ken Johnson, seconded by Kevin Griner
Motion approved

Motion 11- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve the Registrars request to allow foals out of the mare ZIZOO to be registered with her correct DNA and that we not require the owner of ZIZOO to make any further attempts to find the mare Rock Star Poco to have her DNA done.

Motion made by Kevin Griner, seconded by Ken Johnson
Motion approved

Motion 12- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve Hall of Fame committee recommendation that Steve Dal Porto and the horse Little Ricky Rocker be elected to the ApHC Hall of Fame.

Motion made by Kevin Griner, seconded by Deb Dyer
Motion approved

Motion 13- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve the Registrar's request to delete white as a base coat color and to add champagne as a base coat color. Registrar to continue to update the color descriptions in the handbook to match current research.

Motion made by Sean Schembri, seconded by Ray Burchett
Motion approved

Motion 14- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve the Registrar's request to allow ApHC registered stallion reports to be filed via email. Approved outcross stallion reports may be filed via email as long as the stallion is already listed with the ApHC.

Motion made by Sean Schembri, seconded by Deb Dyer
Motion approved

Motion 15- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to approve the following changes to Rule 269.

A. Any owner of a registered Appaloosa, or any current member of the ApHC, ~~or any ApHC inspector, or tattooer,~~ may protest the registration classification or status of any horse registered with the ApHC by filing an official protest form together with the protest fee. (See Fee Schedule.) The protest fee shall be refunded only if it is ultimately determined that the subject horse has been improperly registered.

B. ~~Each~~ **Any Director, ApHC Inspector, or ApHC Tattooer** may request an inspection and /or examination of any horse which appears to be improperly registered. No Protest fee shall be required in connection with any protest by a Director, ~~or ApHC Inspector, or ApHC Tattooer.~~

Motion made by Kevin Griner, seconded by Leslie Foxvog
Motion approved

Motion 16- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to adopt Motion 15- 08/20-2021 amending ApHC rule 269 to take effect immediately based on Rule 70.D and without following the procedures in Rule 70.C. based upon the finding that immediate implementation is essential to the orderly administration of the ApHC in that these amendments benefit the Appaloosa horse by Clarifying the rules on who can make a protest. Rule to take effect September 20, 2021

Motion made by Deb Dyer, seconded by Ken Johnson
Motion approved

Motion 17- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to adopt the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee's (EC) powers specific to any allegations of members, non-members, staff or any other representative that have been alleged to have violated any bylaw, rule or regulation, decision or policy of the ApHC shall be revoked for 30 days until the ApHC Board of Directors meet and determine what specific and clear powers the EC shall have moving forward in regards to disciplinary actions. Also Resolved, That any issues, complaints — either formal or informal — or any other means of communicating alleged rules, policy & procedures, bylaw, or decisions of the ApHC shall be sent directly to the Disciplinary Committee for handling.

Motion made by Ken Johnson, seconded by Kevin Griner
Motion approved

Motion 18- 09/20-2021

The 2021 ApHC Board of Directors moves to adjourn.